

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the section, Cross Reference to Related Application, on page 2, lines 4-6 of the specification, and replace it with the following:

**CROSS-REFERENCE ~~CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS~~
APPLICATION**

This application is a continuation-in-part of **U.S.** Application No. 09/031,474, filed February 6, 1998 **February 26, 1998, now abandoned.**

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 9 and 10 of the specification with the following paragraph:

A preferred ~~VCU~~ **LEU** module 4 (see FIG. 2) includes the INQUIRE, STOP and RESET buttons of the module. The module 4 is the interface between the law enforcement officer and the LEU 4. When a suspect vehicle is behaving erratically or breaking the law, the officer first presses the INQUIRE button 100, and the INQUIRE LED 103 will ~~be will~~ then **began begin** blinking. Once the Central Station Computer 6 returns the Vehicle Authorization Code of the suspect vehicle, the INQUIRE LED 103 will illuminate. It is possible for the Central Station Computer to return multiple authorization codes, one for each vehicle within the LEU's transmitting and receiving range, and will all be displayed on the mobile computer 5. For this occurrence, the officer will press the INQUIRE button 100 until the suspect vehicle is highlighted in the display, the most likely suspect vehicle will be automatically highlighted. Each time a new vehicle is highlighted in the Mobile Police Computer's display, an INQUIRE command is transmitted to that vehicle's VCU which will activate that vehicle's flasher light circuit, as an easy visual acknowledgment to the police officer showing which vehicle is active in the Mobile Police Computer. When the correct vehicle is highlighted, the police officer will press the STOP button 101, the LEU will transmit the STOP command and the STOP LED will begin flashing. The VCU then transmits ~~and an~~ acknowledgment to the STOP command and then activates the suspect vehicle's horn and puts the vehicle's engine in idle. When the LEU receives the acknowledgment from the VCU, the STOP LED 104 will turn solid. Once the suspect vehicle is immobilized and the officer has the situation in control, the officer can deactivate the suspect vehicle's horn by pressing the RESET button 102, the RESET LED 105 will then start flashing. Finally, when the situation is over, the police officer then presses the

RESET button 102 one last time to ~~key activate deactivate~~ the suspect vehicle from the system. User configurable voice status messages will be output from the LEU each time a vehicle is inquired, stopped, or reset allowing the police officer to keep his eyes on the road at all times.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 12 and 13 of the specification with the following paragraph:

The operation of the vehicle control unit (VCU) is illustrated in FIG. 5. After the unit is powered on (box 50), the unit goes into a wait state (box 52). Upon reception of the Inquiry Command (box 54), the system transmits the vehicle ID code to the LEU. The VCU will wait up to 30 seconds after the Inquiry Command for the authorization code to be sent by the LEU to the VCU as a “lock-on” acknowledgment (box 56). If a valid authorization code is received (box 58), the vehicle’s flasher lights (e.g., the turn ~~signals~~ **signal** lights) are turned on (box 60) and the VCU will wait for a STOP or RESET command. If no command is received, or a RESET command is received, the flashers are turned off (box 64) and the system is RESET to an initial state. If a STOP command is received, then the vehicle is put into an idle state. This will cause the vehicle to coast to a stop. The horn may be activated in an oscillatory fashion (e.g., turned on and off in approximately 1 second intervals). When an R1 (First Reset) command is received (box 68), the horn is turned off (box 70) to allow the officer to question the driver. When an R2 (Second Reset) command is received (box 72), the system is reset and the vehicle is again fully operational (box 73).

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 13 and 14 of the specification with the following paragraph:

After power up (see FIG. 6) of the LEU module, the LEU module ~~for~~ waits for ~~a~~ serial authorization code (box 75) from the Mobile Police Computer 5 (which may be solicited from various combinations of inputs, e.g., swipe card, pin number, fingerprint sensor, retinal scan). If data is received (box 76), then the local authorization code ~~is~~ stored in the LEU chip is compared with the received authorization code and validated (box 80). If the authorization code is proper, then the user interface is started, and awaits commands (box 82) from the LEU module. Upon receipt of an INQUIRE command, the LEU sends an ID code from the Vehicle Control Unit (of the suspect vehicle) to the Central Station Computer 6 and waits for the Vehicle Authorization Code to be sent back over a secure interface from the Central Station Computer (box 86). If the vehicle has already been acquired, the flashers of the vehicle will already be blinking (box 94),

and the LEU will switch to another vehicle (e.g., the next closest vehicle in signal strength) as the current vehicle (box 96). Otherwise, it will select the closest vehicle as the current vehicle 98. Then the INQUIRY command with authorization code will be sent to the suspect vehicle (box 110) to actually “lock-on” and start the flashers of the suspect vehicle flashing. The LEU will rescan the current area and update the list of vehicles in range (box 112). Within 30 seconds, the system will wait for a status return from the suspect vehicle’s ~~LEU~~ VCU to acknowledge that the system has indeed been acquired (box 114). Base on that response, the system’s state will be updated (box 116) and a voice status message will be played (box 118).

Please replace the paragraph on page 14, lines 12-24, of the specification with the following paragraph:

An additional software module (see FIG. 7) may be required at the Central Station Computer 6 to process authorization checks ~~form from~~ the various LEUs, and simultaneously screen the ID code of the vehicle and the operator of the vehicle for violations. Upon initiation (box 120), the software opens the appropriate databases (box 121) and communication links (box 122) to the wireless network ~~in and~~ waits for an ID code check request (box 124). Upon reception of an ID code (box 126), the code number is located in the appropriate databases (box 132) and the Vehicle Authorization Code and other pertinent information is transmitted back to the requesting Mobile Police Computer (box 134) and an audit trail is created (box 136). The computer program may be terminated for maintenance purposes or other reasons (boxes 128, 130).